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TO AMEMBASSY BAMAKO

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E.O. 11652:

TAGS: ETEL, TSPA, XY, ML

SUBJECT: STATUS OF PLANS WEST AFRICAN COMMUNICATIONS  
SATELLITE

REF: BAMAKO 1244

1. DEPARTMENT AWARE OF FRENCH/GERMAN EXPERIMENTAL COMMUNICATIONS SATELLITE KNOWN AS SYMPHONIE WHICH WAS LAUNCHED DECEMBER 1974 BY NASA AND IS IN GEOSTATIONARY ORBIT AT 11.5 DEGREES WEST LONGITUDE. SATELLITE MISSION IS TO PERFORM TELEVISION, BROADCAST, TELEPHONE AND DATA EXPERIMENTS.

2. FYI. US PROVIDED LAUNCH ASSISTANCE ON CONDITION THAT BEFORE SPONSORS DECIDE TO PROVIDE OPERATIONAL SERVICES, REVENUE PRODUCING OR OTHERWISE, THAT THERE WILL BE CONSULTATION WITH INTELSAT UNDER THE TERMS OF ARTICLE XIV OF THE INTELSAT AGREEMENT. ACCORDINGLY,  
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IN REPLYING TO MINISTER KEITA EMBASSY SHOULD IN NO WAY

INDICATE US SUPPORT OF OPERATIONAL USES SINCE US HAS NOT  
REPEAT NOT DECIDED HOW IT WOULD VOTE SHOULD THE MATTER  
BE RAISED IN INTELSAT. END FYI. INGERSOLL

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